A RESOLUTION

BY: COUNCILMEMBER FELICIA A

A RESOLUTON DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE TO EXEMPT THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO MAKE \$22,000.00 PER YEAR OR LESS FROM THE PROPOSED FURLOUGH INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED 2002 BUDGET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, after exhaustive studies on the cost of living the Atlanta Living Wage Coalition has determined that a living wage for the Atlanta area is should be no less than \$22,000.00; and

WHEREAS, a two (2) day per month furlough as proposed as part of the cost reduction measures to be used to balance the proposed 2002 Budget would create an undue hardship on those City employees that are paid \$22,000.00 per year or less; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to exempt City employees that earn \$22,000.00 per year or less.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the City Council of the City of Atlanta hereby directs the Finance Department in conjunction with the Department of Personnel and Human Resources to assess the cost of exempting City employees earning \$22,000.00 or less from the proposed furlough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Department is hereby directed to identify funds or propose other alternative amendments to balance the proposed 2002 budget in order to exempt those City employees that earn \$22,000.00 or less from the proposed two (2) day furlough and those who will make less than \$22,000.00 due to the proposed furlough.